In the Name of God Amen I Richard Peters ye
Doctor in Divinity Rector of the United Episcopal Churches of Christ Church and St. Peters Church in the ye
City of Philadelphia in the Province of Pennsylvania being willing and desirous for certain just and lawful
Causes and Considerations me in this behalf specially moving more especially by Reason of my bodily Infirmities
to be relieved discharged and exonerated from the Burthen Cure and Government of my said Rectory of the Uni=
=ted Episcopal Churches of Christ Church and St. Peters Church in the City of Philadelphia in the Province of Penn=
=sylvania do hereby deliberately spontaneously purely simply and absolutely renounce and resign the same ye
Rectory and Churches together with all their Rights Profits Members and Appurtenances whatsoever into the hands
of the Church Wardens and Vistry Men of the said United Churches And the same Rectory and Churches do hereby ye
in deed and in Word leave Vacant and Unfilled And all my Right Title and Possession in and to the same Rectory ye
and Churches, together with all and singular their Rights Profits Members and Appurtenances by me heretofore held ye
and enjoyed do renounce and Yield up And from the same do totally and expressly recede by these Presents In ye
Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal the Twenty Third Day of September in the Year ye
of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy five

Richard Peters

Signed Sealed & Delivered
in presence of
Matthew Whitehead
Jacob Diegle

To the right reverend Father in God, Richard, by divine Permission, Lord Bishop of London

The humble Address of the Church-Wardens & Vestry-Men of the united Churches of Christ Church & St. Peter's Church in the City of Philadelphia

May it please your Lordship

We the Church-Wardens & Vestry-Men, of the united Churches of Christ Church & St. Peter's Church in the City of Philadelphia, in Vestry met, beg Leave to inform your Lordship, that the Reverend Richard Peters, (Doctor in Divinity, our late worthy Rector, after many Years faithfull & approved Service, finding the Charge of the said united Churches too heavy a Burthen, on Account of his bodily Infirmities, hath voluntarily resigned his Rectorship into our Hands, & that in Consequence thereof we have unanimously elected the Reverend Jacob Duché A.M. to be Rector of the said united Churches.

We beg Leave to observe to your Lordship, that the Reverend Mr. Duché is a Native of this City, & known to most of us from his Childhood; that he has officiated, under a Licence from your Lordships Predecessor, as our assistant Minister in our said Churches during the Space of upwards of ~~fifteen~~ sixteen Years, in which he has deservedly met with universal Approbation, from the unblemished Character he has hitherto supported thro' Life. From his exemplary Conduct, Zeal, Piety & Learning, we presume to recommend him, in the warmest Manner, to your Lordship, & flatter ourselves that our Choice will meet with your Lordship's Approbation, being firmly persuaded that his best Endeavors will ever be exerted for the Maintenance of Unanimity & Concord in the Churches, & the Advancement of true Religion & Virtue.

We, therefore, humbly hope that your Lordship will be pleased to take this Address into your Consideration, & to return a favorable Answer to this unanimous Request in his Behalf.

Ever praying that your Lordship may long be continued a Blessing

to the Church of Christ, & particularly to that part of it over which you preside, we beg leave to subscribe ourselves

may it please your Lordship,

with all Duty & Respect

Philadelphia October 30th 1775

Your Lordship's most obliged
& most obedient humble Servants

John Morgan
Tom: Bond
} Church Wardens

Edw: Shippen jr
Jacob Duche Jun:
Joseph Swift
Benjamin Wynkoop
Tho: Cuthbert
Gerard. Clarkson
Rich. Willing

Samuel Powel
Peter Delaver
Jos Humphreys
Peter Knight
James Reynolds
Edmund Physick
Wm Moore
Alex: Wilcocks